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MOTION PICTURES AND SLIDES ON PUBLIC HEALTH

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The Bureau of Health Education of the California State Department of Public Health has revised its list of films and slides on public health and allied subjects, available for distribution in California. Included in the new list are titles added to film libraries since the previous list was published in June 1945.

FOREWORD

Included in this list are films and slides available for loan by the California State Department of Public Health, the California Tuberculosis and Health Association, the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. The following abbreviations are given with each title to indicate the distributor to which requests should be addressed.

Abbreviation

Distributor

CTHA	California Tuberculosis and Health Asso	ci
	45 Second Street, San Francisco 5	
3000	Telephone : SIItter 3282	

MLI Metropolitan Life Insurance Company 600 Stockton Street, San Francisco 8 Telephone: DOuglas 7000

PH-HE	Bureau	of Health	Education,	California	State
		Departm	ent of Public	Health	

521 Phelan Building, San Francisco 2 Telephone: UNderhill 8700 Ext. 838 or 839

PH-VD-LA Bureau of Venereal Diseases, California State Department of Public Health

703 State Building, 217 West First Street, Los Angeles 12 Telephone: MAdison 1271

USDA U. S. Department of Agriculture 821 Market Street, San Francisco 3 Telephone: EXbrook 8381, Ext. 122

OTHER SOURCES

Additional lists or catalogs of films on public health together with distribution policies can be obtained by writing directly to:

University of California Extension Service Department of Visual Instruction 2441 Bancroft Way, Berkeley 4

Room 26, Administration Building 405 Hilgard Avenue, Los Angeles 24

California Dairy Industry Advisory Board 1095 Market Street, San Francisco 3

California State Dental Association 450 Sutter Street, San Francisco 8

British Information Services 391 Sutter Street, San Francisco 8

Y. M. C. A. Motion Picture Bureau 351 Turk Street, San Francisco 2

American Film Center, Inc. 45 Rockefeller Plaza, New York 20, N. Y.

TO BORROW FILMS IN THIS LIST

- Address requests directly to the agency distributing the titles selected, in accordance with the abbreviation key indicating the distributor.
- Place requests as far as possible in advance of the date on which films are to be shown, specifying the exact date or dates. If possible, specify alternate dates and titles, in order of preference.

All films and slides distributed by the California State Department of Public Health are lent without charge other than payment of return transportation by the borrower. Borrowers are also requested to report the number of showings and total attendance on a form enclosed with each shipment.

Information on the loan policies of other agencies should be requested directly from such agencies.

Requests for films distributed by the California Tuberculosis and Health Association should be first directed to the local association, since the films may be available there for loan.

Films and slides listed for professional use are lent only to health agencies, professional societies, and to individuals engaged in the health and medical professions

16 MILLIMETER SOUND FILMS

Cancer

CHOOSE TO LIVE. Time, 30 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. The hopeful story of a woman's victory over cancer.

Child Health

- Care of the Newborn Baby. Time, 30 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. The nurse's functions and duties in teaching parents the care of infants. Demonstrates how to hold, bathe, dress, and feed a baby. Scenes in pre-natal clinic, hospital, and home. Particularly useful in nurse education.
- CLOCKING A CHAMPION. Color. Time, 10 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. A day in the life of a normal, healthy infant on by-the-clock routine in an average household. Approved methods of feeding and bathing demonstrated.
- FOR HEALTH AND HAPPINESS. Color. Time, 12 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. Importance of good health habits from infancy to college age. Sequence on healthful foods.

Dental Health

- OUR TEETH. Time, 15 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. The growth, structure and functions of four tooth types explained by animated diagrams.
- THE STUDENT FLYER. Time, 20 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. Depicts story of high school student "washed out" in flight training because of visual acuity below par due to dental abscess. Stresses necessity of early and regular attention by dentist, balanced diet, proper hygiene.

First Aid

HELP WANTED. Time, 30 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. A demonstration of first aid methods.

Health Services

- Lease on Life. Time, 20 minutes. Distributor CTHA. Story of family avoiding illness by utilizing health services in community. With this title come a discussion guide and a 35 mm. silent film strip, Design for Living—time, 15 minutes—which reviews important points in Lease on Life.
- MAN AGAINST MICROBE. Time, 10 minutes. Distributor, MLI.

 Three hundred years of progress in public health and medicine.
- YOUR HEALTH DEPARTMENT. Time, 30 minutes. Distributor PH-HE. The services of a local public health department.
- YOUR PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE. Time, 12 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. The work of the public health nurse and her importance in the public health program.

Heart Disease

HEART DISEASE. Time, 10 minutes, Distributor, CTHA. A discussion of the incidence of heart disease, methods of diagnosis, and the relation of rheumatic fever to heart disease. March of Time series.

Immunization

DEFEAT DIPHTHERIA. Time, 11 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. A plea for immunization. The pathology and symptoms of the disease are shown. The Schick test and the use of toxoid are explained. Although dealing with conditions in England, this film is suitable for professional and lay groups in the United States.

DEFENSE AGAINST INVASION. Color. Time, 12 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. Produced by Walt Disney. A doctor explains vaccination to a group of children. Through animation and actual photography the human body is shown unprotected by vaccination; the simple process of vaccination is demonstrated; the body is then shown protected.

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PASSPORT TO HEALTH. Time, 20 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. Dramatic presentation of the dangerous after-effects and the high death rate of many childhood diseases. Inherent appeal to parents to seek protective services for their children.

Industrial Health

- CAPITOL STORY. Time, 20 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. Shows investigation of industrial health hazard, laboratory studies involved, and procedures recommended for elimination of hazard. Produced by Industrial Hygiene Division, U. S. Public Health Service.
- Save a Day. Time, 15 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. A presentation of general industrial health problems showing the work of a State bureau and the U. S. Public Health Service.

Malaria

WINGED SCOURGE. Color. Time, 15 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. Produced by Walt Disney. The cause and prevention of malaria.

Nutrition

- FUN IN FOOD. Color. Time, 15 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. Food constituents, how they fulfill the requirements of the body, and the foods that supply them.
- HIDDEN HUNGER. Time, 30 minutes. Distributor. USDA. This humorous fantasy tells in a common sense way what to eat and why.
- Kids Must Eat. Time, 20 minutes. Distributor. USDA. Explains the advantages of a school lunch program. Particularly for school administrators, teachers, and parent groups in the community. "Quiz Kids" of radio fame are in the east.
- MODEST MIRACLE. Time, 30 minutes. Distributor, USDA. A dramatic story of the discovery of Vitamin B₁, its importance in diet, and its use in enriched flour.
- PROOF OF THE PUDDING. Color. Time, 10 minutes. Distributor, MLI. Food requirements for health procured through economical marketing and wise meal planning.
- This, Too, Is Sabotage. Time, 25 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. Importance of good nutrition to the health and productivity of industrial workers. The "Basic 7" food chart's recommendations are explained with specific suggestions.

Pneumonia

A New Day. Time, 10 minutes. Distributor, MLI. Symptoms of pneumonia and modern treatment.

Posture

ON YOUR FEET. Time, 15 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. The proper selection of shoes, habits of healthful walking and posture.

Safet

ONCE UPON A TIME. Color. Time, 10 minutes. Distributor, MLI. Street safety told by fairy tale and Mother Goose characters.

Sanitation

- A DISHWASHER NAMED RED. Time, 15 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. Manual methods demonstrated for washing dishes, utensils, and cooking equipment in restaurants. 1946.
- CLEAN WATER. Color, Time, 25 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. Safeguarding public health, preserving game and wild life, and preventing economic loss through adequate sewage treatment. Series of appealing pictures shows streams, lakes, and coastal waters in their natural beauty. Processing in modern sewage treatment plants to prevent water pollution shown by animated diagrams. By General Electric, U. S. Public Health Service cooperating. 1946.

- HEALTH AND THE CYCLE OF WATER. Time, 25 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. The problems of stream pollution, sewage treatment, and water purification.
- KEEP 'EM OUT. Time, 10 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. How rats spoil food, destroy buildings, spread disease. How rats can be controlled by poison, trapping, and construction of rodent-proof buildings.
- OUR FILTH COLUMNIST—THE RAT. Color. Time, 20 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. Damage by rats, and control methods. Photography excellent. Originally produced by Honolulu Chamber of Commerce; revised by Los Angeles County Health Department.
- TWIXT THE CUP AND THE LIP. Time, 20 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. Good restaurant sanitation demonstrated. The spread of disease through poor sanitation.
- THE HOUSE FLY. Time, 12 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. The life history and habits of the house fly, its part in the spread of disease, and necessity for good sanitation.
- WATER, FRIEND OR ENEMY. Color. Time, 10 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. Produced by Walt Disney. Safe and unsafe water supplies in rural areas. Sinking of wells, seepage problems, dangers and sources of contamination are described. Illustrates methods of safeguarding spring and well water.

School Health

SCHOOL DAYS IN THE COUNTRY. Time, 15 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE, Rural school sanitation and health services.

Sex Education

In the Beginning. Time, 15 minutes. Distributors, PH-HE and PH-VD-LA. Reproduction explained through use of photomicrography and diagrams. Particularly suited to high school teaching.

Tuberculosis

- ANOTHER TO CONQUER. Time, 20 minutes. Distributor, CTHA. Tuberculosis among the Navajo Indians.
- ABTIFICIAL PNEUMOTHORAX. Time, 30 minutes. Distributor, CTHA. A demonstration of artificial pneumothorax in all its phases. Suitable for physicians and other professional groups.
- BEHIND THE SHADOWS. Time, 11 minutes. Distributor, CTHA. A high school boy is found to have tuberculosis through a high school tuberculin testing survey.
- CASE HISTORY OF LUCY X. Color. Time, 20 minutes. Distributor, CTHA. From diagnosis through treatment to normal living. Recommended for high school and college classes.
- CLOUD IN THE SKY. Time, 20 minutes. Distributor, CTHA. Tuberculosis in a Spanish family. Available in both Spanish and English.
- DIAGNOSTIC PROCEDURES IN TUBERCULOSIS. Time, 15 minutes. Distributor, CTHA. A demonstration of the technique and medical procedure in the diagnosis of tuberculosis. Suitable for physicians and other professional groups.
- GOODBY, MR. GERM. Time, 14 minutes. Distributor, CTHA. An animated cartoon of the adventures of "Tee Bee" from the time of his entry into little Edgar's lungs to his capture. Particularly suited for children.
- LET MY PEOPLE LIVE, Time, 15 minutes. Distributor, CTHA. Story of tuberculosis in a Negro family. Stars Rex Ingram. Spirituals sung by the Tuskegee Institute Choir.
- Mass Radiography. Time, 12 minutes. Distributor, CTHA.
 Organization and procedures of an X-ray survey in a British
 industrial plant.
- ROUTINE ADMISSION CHEST X-RAY IN GENERAL HOSPITALS. Time, 20 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. Procedures in routine miniature film chest X-ray services for all patients admitted to hospital or clinic, and the benefits of this service. Includes details such as, arrangement of X-ray unit, record keeping, and film processing. Suitable for technical or administrative personnel. 1946.

- Techniques of Group Chest X-ray Services. Time, 20 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. Responsibilities of community health leaders in mass radiography project and all activities and techniques of project in operation, with emphasis on importance of organization, planning, and teamwork. 1946.
- THE ROLE OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE. Time, 15 minutes. Distributor, CTHA. Explains services of the public health nurse in the home care of the tuberculosis patient.
- THE STORY OF MY LIFE BY TEE BEE. Time, 5 minutes. Distributor, CTHA. An animated cartoon of the life of a tuberculosis germ in the lung of a child.
- THEY DO COME BACK. Time, 17 minutes. Distributor, CTHA.

 The rehabilitation of the tuberculous and the cause, diagnosis, and treatment of tuberculosis.
- THIS IS TB. Time, 15 minutes. Distributor, CTHA. Cause, transmission, treatment, and rehabilitation. Urges miniature and large X-rays in mass radiography and in doctor's office. 1946.

Venereal Diseases

- FIGHT SYPHILIS. Time, 10 minutes. Distributors, PH-HE and PH-VD-LA. The nature of syphilis, the transmission, diagnosis, and importance of adequate medical treatment. Suitable for showing to mixed groups.
- FOR YOUR INFORMATION. Color. Time, 20 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. An excellent film for women and girls. Produced by Royal Canadian Air Forces for women personnel. Explanation by medical officer is combined with animated diagrams of symptoms and parts of body involved.
- HEALTH IS A VICTORY. Time, 15 minutes. Distributors, PH-HE and PH-VD-LA. Cause, spread, and control of gonorrhea.
- HEALTH TACTICS. Time, 12 minutes. Distributors. PH-HE and PH-VD-LA, Diagram presentation of male prophylaxis.
- IN DEFENSE OF THE NATION. Time, 15 minutes. Distributors, CTHA and PH-HE. The problem of prostitution in the war emergency.
- KNOW FOR SURE. Time, 20 minutes. Distributors, PH-HE and PH-VD-LA. A Hollywood made film of the cause, spread, prevention, and care of syphilis with a sequence on prophylaxis. Primarily for male audiences.
- KNOW FOR SURE (Revised Version). Time, 15 minutes. Distributors, PH-HE and PH-VD-LA. The same as KNOW FOR SURE with the sequence on prophylaxis deleted. Suitable for showing before mixed groups, either adult or youth.
- PLAIN FACTS. Time, 15 minutes. Distributors, PH-HE and PH-VD-LA. A discussion of syphilis and gonorrhea.
- MAGIC BULLETS. Time, 30 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. This dramatic film depicts the discovery by Dr. Paul Ehrlich of a cure for syphilis after years of painstaking work in his experiments with arsenic. Condensed from Warner Brothers' 11-reel feature film starring Edward G. Robinson.
- Message to Women. Color. Time, 20 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. For girls and women. Doctor explains VD problems to leadership group of women. Information presented with animated diagrams and positive appeal for strengthening wholesome influences in community life. 1946.
- OUR JOB TO KNOW. Time, 18 minutes. Distributor PH-HE. This VD film is especially for women and girls. Episodes in the story reveal facts about the cause, dangers, diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of gonorrhea and syphilis.
- SYPHILIS. Color. Time, 50 minutes. Distributors, PH-HE and PH-VD-LA. Diagnosis and treatment of syphilis. Suitable for physicians and other professional groups.
- TO THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES. Time, 22 minutes. Distributors, PH-HE and PH-VD-LA. An explanation of the necessity for venereal disease control, particularly in wartime. Produced by Walter Wanger, starring Jean Hersholt. Suitable for all types of audience.
- WITH THESE WEAPONS. Time, 15 minutes. Distributors, CTHA, PH-HE, and PH-VD-LA. Cause, spread, cure, control of syphilis. Available in Spanish as well as in English.

35 MILLIMETER SOUND FILMS

The following 35 mm. sound films are available from the distributors which lend 16 mm. films of the same title. See preceding section.

A New Day Another to Conquer Behind the Shadows Cloud in the Sky Let My People Live Man Against Microbe Once Upon a Time Proof of the Pudding To the People of the United States They Do Come Back With These Weapons

16 MILLIMETER SILENT FILMS

Child Health

THE ROAD TO HEALTH AND HAPPINESS. Time, 15 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. Dental health, nutrition, and emotional health of children.

Dental Health

- Ask Your Dentist. Time, 15 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. Diagrammatically describes tooth structure; stresses preventive dental care. Suitable for use in elementary schools.
- How Teeth Grow. Time, 12 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE, Eruption of temporary and permanent teeth and prevention of decay.
- LET'S TALK ABOUT TEETH. Color. Time, 17 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. Development of good habits of oral hygiene. Effect of nutrition upon dental health. Suitable for elementary grades and junior high school.
- TOLD BY A TOOTH. Time, 15 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. Proper dental hygiene for children is emphasized by means of animated diagrams.

Infant Care

- AROUND THE CLOCK WITH BABY AND YOU. Time, 45 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. A day in the life of a baby showing the daily routine for mother and infant.
- From Morning Until Night. Time, 30 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. A day in the life of a baby showing desirable habit formation, feeding, and physical care.

Nutrition

FOOD AND GROWTH. Time, 15 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. A classroom feeding experiment with white rats demonstrating the food value of milk as compared with coffee and candy.

Posture

- EDUCATED FEET. Time, 15 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. Proper habits in sitting, standing, walking, and playing. For elementary school children and of interest to adults.
- POSTURE. Time, 15 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. The part of the muscles in determining posture, the correction of poor posture, and the importance to health of good posture.
- THE FEET. Time, 15 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. The structure and arrangement of the arches, the mechanical use of the foot, and the importance of properly fitted shoes.

Prenatal Care

PRENATAL CARE. Time, 15 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. Type and importance of adequate prenatal care.

Sanitation

EATING OUT. Time, 22 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. Demonstrates both correct and incorrect methods of good handling and restaurant sanitation.

Tuberculosis

BEHIND THE SHADOWS. Time, 11 minutes. Distributor, CTHA.

A high school boy is found to have tuberculosis through a high school tuberculin testing survey.

THE STORY OF MY LIFE BY TEE BEE. Time, 12 minutes. Distributor, CTHA. An animated cartoon of the life of a tuberculosis germ in the lung of a child.

35 MILLIMETER SOUND SLIDE FILMS

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Note: A 35 mm. film strip projector is needed for the projection of slide films (also called film strips), and a record player with a turntable revolving at $33\frac{1}{3}$ revolutions per minute is needed for the 16-inch record which provides the sound. This equipment is often available through local departments of education and some insurance companies.

Child Health

JIMMIE BEATS RHEUMATIC FEVER. Time, 15 minutes. Distributor, MLI. An 8-year-old boy's successful battle with rheumatic fever. Medical guidance, nursing services, diversional activities included.

Health Services

- To Live Longer, Time, 12 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE. Importance of public health work, and services available through cooperation of Federal, State, and local health departments.
- YOUR FRIEND THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE. Time, 15 minutes. Distributor, MLI. The many services performed by the public health nurse and her role in improving community health.

Sanitation

- OUR HEALTH IN YOUR HANDS. Series of 4 slide films on restaurant sanitation. Time, 15 minutes each. Distributor, PH-HE. Useful in educational programs for restaurant managers and employees:
 - GERMS TAKE POT LUCK. Spread of disease and the responsibility of restaurant workers in preventing that spread.
 - SERVICE WITH A SMILE. Correct service practices and personal hygiene for restaurant workers.
- IN HOT WATER. Dishwashing, manual and machine.
- SAFE FOOD FOR GOOD HEALTH. Sanitary principles in food preparation; proper refrigeration and storage of food.

School Health

TEACHER OBSERVATIONS OF SCHOOL CHILDREN. Color. Time, 15 minutes. Distributor, PH-HE and MLI. Demonstrates important role of classroom teacher in recognizing deviation of children from normal physical and mental health. Suitable for teachers, administrators, school nurses, and parents.

SLIDES

(2" x 2" Kodachrome Transparencies) Descriptive keys supplied with each series

Communicable Diseases

- CARE OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASE PATIENT. 58 slides. Distributor, PH-HE. Useful in training courses for nurses and nurses' aides. Preparation for bath and a.m. care; care; disposal of food; care of dishes; disinfection procedures.
- COMMUNICABLE DISEASE GOWN TECHNIC. 45 slides. Distributor, PH-HE. Also useful in training courses. Gown and scrub technic and removal of gown are shown in detail stages.

Tropical Medicine

Tropical Diseases. 75 slides. Distributor, PH-HE. For professional use. Specific, technical phases of various tropical diseases are included in series. Several slides on malaria. Photomicrography used extensively. Accompanied by a syllabus prepared by Dr. Herbert G. Johnstone, Assistant Professor of Bacteriology, University of California Medical School.

Venereal Diseases

HOT SPRINGS CLINICAL SERIES. 100 slides. Distributor, PH-VD-LA and PH-HE. A set of excellent clinical slides made at the Hot Springs Clinic. Suitable to illustrate lectures to medical societies, clinic staffs, and medical schools.

1945 HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE NOW AVAILABLE

The 1945 edition of the Health and Safety Code is now available from the California State Printing Office, Documents Section, Eleventh and O Streets, Sacramento. The price is \$2 plus tax.

Although entitled "1945," this edition contains amendments passed in the first 1946 special session of the Legislature, as well as those enacted during the 1945 regular session.

U. C. SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH FACULTY APPOINTMENTS

Appointment of new faculty to the School of Public Health, University of California, is announced by Dr. W. McD. Hammon, Dean.

Dorothy Nyswander, Ph.D., has been engaged as Professor of Health Education. A native Californian, Dr. Nyswander is a graduate of the University of California. She is nationally known as a leader in public and school health education circles, is author of Solving School Health Problems, and has recently been engaged in the educational program of the Office of the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs.

Leon Lewis, M.D., has been appointed Professor of Industrial Health. A graduate in medicine of the University of Pennsylvania, Dr. Lewis was for a time staff physician and director of laboratories for the California State Department of Institutions at Sonoma State Home. For 12 years he was engaged in private consultation and laboratory practice in industrial medicine in Newark, N. J., and New York City. During the war, Dr. Lewis was a commander in the U. S. Navy.

Miss Edith Lindsay has been appointed Assistant Professor in Hygiene. Miss Lindsay graduated from Stanford University and has taught hygiene in that institution and at Mills College.

LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH POSITIONS

Opportunities for physicians qualified in public health exist in several local departments in California.

Acting on a recommendation of the survey made by the American Public Health Association, Dr. Alex Lesem, health officer for San Diego City and County, has announced he will employ an assistant health officer. The salary has not been established.

The Board of Supervisors in Imperial County is offering \$10,200 for the newly established position combining county health officer and director of the county hospital.

In Tulare County the position of health officer is still vacant. The salary has been increased by the board of supervisors to \$6,600 a year and travel.

TYPHOID FEVER OUTBREAK TRACED TO CONSUMPTION OF RAW MILK

Seven cases of typhoid fever occurring in Porterville, Tulare County, in August were traced to raw milk contaminated by a carrier employed as a milker. Investigation of the outbreak was made by the State Department of Public Health at the request of the local health departments.

Relationship of the cases to the carrier was proved by phage typing, six cases and the carrier being phage type Imperfect V. The seventh case had moved from the area and was not typed.

Several interesting facts were brought out by the investigation.

The carrier, who was employed in the dairy for only 11 days from July 2d to July 13th, had his typhoid in 1895. For six weeks, including the time he worked in the dairy, he had taken three teaspoonfuls of mineral oil every night.

Due to the fact that the dairy delivered milk to two sections of town on alternate days and cases occurred in both sections, it is evident that contamination occurred on more than one day. There are two possible explanations why so few frank clinical cases developed: (1) because mechanical milkers and bottlers were used, only a small portion of the milk was contaminated; (2) the dilution was great and only a few bottles had a chance to incubate sufficient organisms to produce the disease.

Another employee of the dairy was found to be excreting typhoid organisms, also type Imperfect V. Since he has been employed by the dairy for 11 years and had no history of having had typhoid, he is probably a temporary carrier.

Laboratory tests were positive for type Imperfect V on specimens from two of the 21 family contacts who were examined. Although it was impossible to get specimens from other persons who drank milk supplied by the dairy, it is thought likely that such examinations would have revealed an additional number of persons, besides the two family contacts and the other dairy employee, who were infected but did not have symptoms diagnosed as typhoid fever.

APPOINTED TO HEALTH MUSEUM'S ADVISORY COUNCIL

Wilton L. Halverson, M.D., Dr. P. H., director of the State Department of Public Health, has been appointed to the Cleveland Health Museum's National Advisory Council.

The Cleveland Health Museum is the outstanding agency of its kind in the Nation. In addition to permanent exhibits in the museum, traveling exhibits are available on loan and for purchase.

INCREASED FEDERAL FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR ALLOTMENT TO MCH SERVICES

Federal annual authorization for maternal and child health services was increased from \$5,820,000 to \$11,000,000, and for crippled children's services from \$3,870,000 to \$7,500,000 by Congress on August 2, 1946, in amendments to Title V of the Social Security Act. These increased amounts will partially meet the needs for additional funds which the State agencies have indicated to the Children's Bureau. Half of the funds will be allotted to the States on a matching dollar-for-dollar basis, and half on the basis of need without matching.

The most urgent problems in improving the health of mothers and children will be discussed in Washington this month at conferences with the MCH and Crippled Children's Advisory Committee of the Children's Bureau, the State Directors of MCH and crippled children's services, and the MCH and Executive Committees of the Association of State and Territorial Health Officers. Dr. Jessie M. Bierman, Chief of the Bureau of Maternal and Child Health, State Department of Public Health, will attend the conferences. Considerations will include the special needs for:

- Developing new and extending current medical care programs for children with rheumatic fever, cerebral palsy, hearing defects, and other crippling conditions;
- The development of demonstration school-health service projects in selected areas;
- Increasing and improving facilities for the care of prematurely born infants and purchasing care for such infants from acceptable hospitals;
- The development in selected areas of medical and dental care programs for mothers and children;
- The promotion of mental hygiene programs for children.

The possibility will be explored of ways and means whereby State agencies can with these funds directly assist teaching institutions to increase staff and facilities for the graduate training of professional workers in these specialized fields.

In recommending increased MCH and crippled children's funds, the Senate Committee on Finance in its report on the bill providing the amendments to Title V pointed to the need for extending such services as: medical, dental, hospital, and other services for maternity patients, health and medical services for children, including school health programs and preventive mental health services, and special services for crippled and otherwise physically handicapped children. The report states:

"At the end of the last fiscal year, there were 20,000 crippled children known to State agencies to be

in need of care who were not receiving such care because of lack of funds. There are 20 States which have initiated programs under the provisions of the Social Security Act for the care of children with rheumatic heart disease. These programs are small and should be expanded. In addition, at least 20 other States wish to initiate programs as soon as funds are available. There are 10 States which have small programs for the care of children with cerebral palsy, the so-called spastic children. Many other States would begin to organize such programs as soon as money becomes available.

"At least one out of every three counties has no public health nurse to give advice and care to mothers

and children."

PROGRESS IN PEDIATRICS SURVEY

The Academy of Pediatrics survey is moving forward in California under Crawford Bost, M.D., chairman, and Paul T. Hahman, M.D., executive director, in the northern area and under Russell Mapes, M.D., chairman, and Clement J. Molony, M.D., executive director in Southern California.

Hospital questionnaires have been sent to all hospitals and plans have been laid for the early distribution of questionnaires to all practicing physicians and dentists. Data concerning community health services are being tabulated by the statistical department of the State Department of Public Health. When this work has been completed, each county health officer and voluntary health agency will be asked for additional information.

The study has received the support and cooperation of the State medical and dental associations, the California Pediatric societies, and the State Department of Public Health. Financial assistance has come primarily through voluntary contributions from county chapters of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. Other agencies are being solicited for their aid.

It is already apparent from the study that there is a lack in this State of adequate hospital facilities for children, even in urban areas, a condition which has undoubtedly been aggravated by the marked population shifts within the past few years. As a result of the study now in progress, members of the Academy of Pediatrics hope that citizens in each community will be stimulated to provide needed facilities for the better care of children.

CORRECTION

It was reported in the August 15th issue that the name of the American Society for the Hard of Hearing had been changed, but the new name was stated incorrectly. The name was changed to the American Hearing Society.

L. A. POLIOMYELITIS COUNCIL

To meet problems created by the increased incidence of poliomyelitis in Los Angeles County, a Poliomyelitis Coordinating Council has been established. It includes representatives from local health departments, the Los Angeles County Hospital, private hospitals, the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, the American Red Cross, the Los Angeles County Medical Society, the Sister Kenny Foundation, and the State Department of Public Health. Dr. Wilton L. Halverson is chairman of the council.

This group has met periodically during the epidemic to integrate the activities of the various agencies. The county hospital and the private hospitals have readjusted their patient loads so as to make room for poliomyelitis cases. The Los Angeles Chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis is aiding financially in the hospital care of patients, the purchase of equipment, and in supplementing the pay of personnel. It has also assisted in recruiting physical therapy technicians. The American Red Cross has recruited nurses from several western States. The health departments have established a follow-up system to assure continued medical supervision after discharge of patients from the hospitals.

PLANNED PARENTHOOD SERVICES

At the end of 1945, there were 584 planned parenthood clinics in the United States, according to a report of the medical department of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, Inc. Although this represents a decrease of 15 centers under the previous year, attendance at the clinics increased to 126,288 from 121,914. The services were offered in the following locations:

238 in public health departments

60 in hospitals

243 extra-mural clinics

43 referral services

584 total

States which have integrated or are reported as starting to integrate planned parenthood services into their maternal health programs are: Alabama, Florida, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Texas, and Virginia.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION

The State Personnel Board announces a civil service examination for assistant industrial hygiene chemist. The final date for filing application is October 3d; the examination date is October 24th.

FIELD WORK FOR ENCEPHALITIS STUDY

As part of the study of encephalitis by the State Department of Public Health, authorized by special grant of the Legislature, field crews have been traveling throughout the San Joaquin Valley securing specimens which may furnish a clue to the reservoir to the disease.

Rodents and birds are trapped or shot. These specimens are autopsied in the field and the organs preserved for attempted isolation of the virus by the Virus Laboratory. Specimens of mosquitoes which may be involved in the spread of the disease are also secured.

STATES BAN MINERAL OIL FROM FOODS

Manufacture and distribution of mineral oil salad dressing have been banned in New York State, according to *Health News*, August 5, 1946, of the New York State Department of Health.

Numerous cases of gastroenteritis, ascribed to the consumption of mineral oil sold for cooking and table purposes in a number of communities, affirmed the harmfulness of mineral oil in unregulated amounts in the diet. Following a local ban on the sale of foods containing mineral oil, declared by the Westchester County Health Department, the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets prohibited the manufacture and distribution of mineral oil salad dressings under any form of labeling, with the statement that "mineral oil has no food value and evidence now points to its harmfulness in the diet."

The State Board of Health in Oregon has adopted regulations providing that the use of mineral oil in the preparation of food would constitute an adulteration, thereby making its use in preparation of food in restaurants a violation of the law (Health Bulletin, August 7, 1946, Oregon State Board of Health). The Oregon State Department of Agriculture also made the use of mineral oil in the preparation of food a violation after August 1, 1946.

Since 1943, by act of the California Legislature, food is deemed to be adulterated if any mineral oil has been added to it, mixed or packed with it. In *California's Health*, November 30, 1945, Dr. Norman Jolliffe is quoted regarding the interference by mineral oil with the body's utilization of a number of essential food factors.

BUBONIC PLAGUE

During July bubonic plague was demonstrated in rodents and their ectoparasites in 15 different specimens collected in San Luis Obispo, Ventura, and San Bernardino Counties.

INFANT AND CHILD CARE PROGRAMS IN FARM LABOR SUPPLY CENTERS

Medical and dental programs for children of agricultural workers in farm labor supply centers were recently expanded by the Agricultural Workers Health and Medical Association with the cooperation of the State Department of Health. According to the association there were housed in the 16 centers and 5 semi-permanent camps in California as of June 28 approximately 13,000 persons, and it is for the dependent children under 16 in this group that the services have been planned.

The association is a nonprofit corporation, working with the Labor Branch of the Production and Marketing Administration of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. It aims to provide medical and dental services with special emphasis on corrective work which will contribute to healthy development and prevent undesirable and incapacitating conditions.

Assistance of the State Department of Public Health was sought in setting up policies for the program and in enlisting local physicians and dentists for services not otherwise available. The Bureaus of Maternal and Child Health and Public Health Nursing have further assisted by helping the association nurses increase educational services, particularly as they are concerned with expectant mothers, infant and pre-school groups, and nutrition for the family. Firebaugh Migratory Camp in Fresno County, where the Bureau of Maternal and Child Health conducts child health conferences and prenatal clinics, will serve as an in-service training center for nurses assigned to other farm-labor groups.

Action of the association in expanding the program was prompted by the knowledge that a large number of draft rejections of men from rural areas was due to physical defects attributable to conditions that could have been remedied by timely medical care.

OPINION OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL HATCH ACT

Clarification of provisions of the Hatch Political Activity Act as they apply to employees of agencies financed in part by Federal loans or grants is contained in Opinion No. 46-207 prepared at the request of the Commandant of the Division of Veterans' Homes.

The question was whether employees of the Veterans' Home of California could join a National Veterans Political League. In reply the Attorney General said:

"Officers and employees of the Home are clearly precluded by the terms of the Hatch Act from joining an organization whose avowed purpose is to participate and engage in political activities, campaigns, and elections."

MORBIDITY REPORTS—SELECTED DISEASES— CIVILIAN CASES

Total Cases for July and Total Cases for January Through July 1946, 1945, 1944 and 5-Year Median (1941-1945)

	Current month			Cumulative January through July				
Selected	July							
diseases	1946	1945	1944	5-yr. median 1941- 1945	1946	1945	1944	5-yr. median 1941- 1945
Chickenpox. Coccidioidal granuloma Conjunctivitis—acute infectious of the new- born (ophthalmia ne-	833	1,327	1,095	1,242	20,210	38,504 26	28,248 20	34,178
onatorum Diphtheria Dysentery, bacillary Encephalitis, infectious Epilepsy	13 53	3 65 18 29 109	59 37 5 113	56	750 104 78 914	14 662 166 58 933	709 226 38 883	603
Food poisoning German measles Influenza, epidemic Jaundice, infectious	17 226 36	40 354 28 10	18 314 27 8	63	279 11,479 5,177 121	296 10,101 523 165	411. 13,635 10,816 186	2,868
Malaria Measles Meningitis, meningo- coccie	41	7 1,595 38	2,536 67	13 1,595	460 60,908 394	64 29,199 475	78 64,087 731	29,199 475
Mumps. Pneumonia, infectious. Poliomyelitis, acute anterior.	864 129	1,497 185 83	1,164 208 43	1,497 208	16,458 1,546 417	30,467 2,408	25,037 2,911	25,037 2,408
Rabies, animal Rheumatic fever Scarlet fever	42	38 60 487	63 57 409	56 320	296 426 5,301	434 470 9,931	590 346 6,915	434
Septic sore throat, epidemic Smallpox Tuberculosis:	*****	<u>i</u>	*****		3 8	4	20	7
Pulmonary Other forms Typhoid fever Typhus fever	13	606 44 16	602 44 16	623 44 16	4,889 298 77 34	4,855 345 55 17	4,744 276 177	4,559 259 85
Undulant fever	24 370	18 1,019	25 383	21 1,059	186 2,880	154 10,608	172 2,796	154 10,608
Chancroid		23 2,134 2	1,609 2	1,538	297 18,488 19	153 15,267 28	183 10,701 17	9,778
venereum Syphilis		18 1,988	17 2,142	2,158	132 14,302	145 16,291	129 16,221	16,221

COURT PROCEDURE FOR HANDICAPPED ELIMINATED BY STANISLAUS COUNTY

The Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors has passed a resolution placing the administration of the crippled children's program in the County Welfare Department. This agency will be responsible for authorizing care for physically handicapped children whose parents can not pay the cost of necessary services.

This action by the Board of Supervisors eliminates the certification procedure which has made it necessary for the child to go to court in order to receive proper care under the Crippled Children's Act, and is a step forward in developing an effective program for physically handicapped children.

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